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## **Remarks**

Claims 1-17 have been canceled, and new claims 18-33 have been added. Claims 18-33 remain in the application; and re-examination and reconsideration of the application are respectfully requested. Claims 18-33 correspond to originally filed claims 1-16 respectively; and claims 18-24 correspond to originally filed claims 1-7. Applicants hereby elect Group I claims 18-24 for examination.

Applicants respectfully submit that the application is now in condition for allowance and reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned in order to resolve any outstanding issues and expedite the allowance of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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